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Lights on the Molou marquee dimming

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

The lights may forever fade to black in what surely must be the oldest movie theatre in Canada run by one family.

Although the Consky family has not made a formal decision to close the Molou, a venerable institution on Haliburton's main street for 67 years, it says outside forces are making it impossible to make any money.

Sophisticated home entertainment systems, a fierce competition between various media for our free time, an aging building that needs extensive renovations and a movie distribution industry that makes it difficult for the independent operator

to make a buck are all contributing to the potential demise of what was once the entertainment hub of small town life.

Owner Molly Consky – who founded the theatre with her late husband Lou,

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Hurray for the Kinmount Fair

As much as everyone hates to say goodbye to summer, there's no better send-off than

the Kinmount Fair, "the biggest little fair in Ontario." With its eclectic mix of midway rides, pioneer displays, agricultural competitions and grandstand entertainment, it attracts thousands of people – including these young revellers. More photos of the fair are on page 20.

Goodbye to the summer that never was

GREG HOEKSTRA
Staff Reporter

You could almost call it a recipe for disaster. Unseasonably low temperatures mixed with unreasonably high gas prices. Thou-

sands of job losses to the south, a weak U.S. dollar deterring American visitors, and rain almost every weekend from May to mid-August.

All things considered, the summer of 2008 was a tough time to be a business owner in cottage country.

Take Bill Burden. For the past 25 years Burden, owner of the West Guilford Shopping Centre, has seen business at his country store – located en route to popular destinations such as Haliburton Forest and Kennis Lake – improve steadily from one summer to the next.

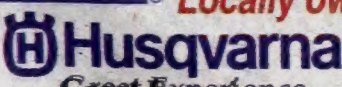
That was, of course, until the disappointing summer of 2008. Some are already dubbing it "the summer that never was."

When asked why he thinks sales were down this year, Burden doesn't hesitate to say it was the combination of soaring gas

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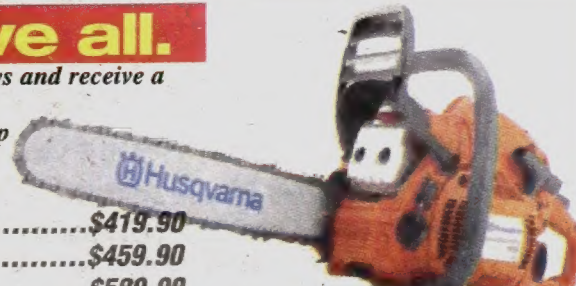
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2	Minden	Hwy 35 North at Mountain Lake	243
3	Minden	Ingoldsby	500
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5	Carnarvon	Buckslide Road	375
6	Carnarvon	Hwy 35 South Red Umbrella Rd	204
7	West Guilford	Airport Road	350
8	Coboconk	Moore Lake	400
9	Minden	Bat Lake	285
10	West Guilford	Little Kennis Lake	315
11	West Guilford	Percy Lake	230
12	Haliburton	Drag Lake	210
13	Wilberforce	Harcourt Park	400
14	Carnarvon	Halls Lake	170
15	Gooderham	Tamarac Lake	290
16	Haliburton	County Rd 18	180
Transport Augmentation			
Total			4802
Forecasted Project Costs			\$3,655,000

Provincial grant may help speed up Internet access

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

Nearly 5,000 more households across the Haliburton Highlands could soon receive high-speed Internet service if the county is successful in its bid for funding under the province's Rural Connections Broadband Program.

At the August 19 meeting of county council CAO Jim Wilson presented a proposal drafted in partnership by Haliburton County and Bell Aliant. The proposal lists 16 areas being considered for broadband expansion with a forecast cost of more than \$3.6 million.

Communities that stand to benefit this time around include Drag Lake, Tamarack Lake, Percy Lake, Little Kennis Lake, Ingoldsby and Harcourt Park, among others.

The proposal will be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) for review. If approved, the ministry could contribute as much as one-third of the project's costs, to a maximum of \$1 million.

Remaining costs would have to be made up by the private sector — in this case, Bell Aliant — and the county. At the August 19 meeting council was told the cost to the county would be about \$400,000 in-kind or cash.

In addition to the communities named above, improvements listed in the proposal include Highway 35 south of Minden, north of Mountain Lake and south of Red Umbrella Road; Carnarvon village; Halls Lake; Buckslide Road; Airport Road; Moore Lake; Bat Lake and County Road 18.

The deadline for applications is September 18.

For more information on the Rural Connections Broadband Program visit the ministry's website at www.omafra.gov.on.ca.

— With files from Jenn Watt

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Shoppers concerned about listeria but are not in a panic

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

The recent outbreak of the food-borne illness called listeriosis may have put the county on alert, but certainly not in a panic.

At Haliburton's Subway, franchise owner Mehulkumar Patel says the restaurant has not been affected.

"We don't use any kind of those products," he said. "But we are working closely with the local health department as well, so any meat products affected, we don't need to worry about any of those recalls."

He says some customers are asking about the products that Subway uses "but our head office is sending us e-mails and we post our notices in front of our customer area so they can read and so they don't need to worry."

At Haliburton Foodland, owners Bob and Wendy Park were inundated with calls of concern on day one of the outbreak.

"There were a lot of phone calls, a lot of concern and we are refunding anything a customer doesn't feel comfortable with even though it may not be a product that's on the recall list," said Park. "We are doing that for a comfortability sake."

Park is being reimbursed for any products he's had to throw out or are brought back by customers. He gives full credit to the president of Maple Leaf Foods for taking responsibility and not pointing fingers.

As the recall list grows, Park said protocol at Foodland has been followed. He and Sobey's head office have exchanged numerous phone calls and e-mails. The matter is being taken seriously enough that representatives of head office and the health department have been to the store to ensure all products were removed.

While Park doesn't know how much product was removed from his store with the same codes as those on the recall list, he's not taking any chances and has removed all products that he and head office think might be at risk. Steve Todd at Todd's Independent was not available for comment.

A total of eight deaths in Ontario have been linked to listeria as of August 29. Listeria, says the American Meat Institute Fact Sheet, is "a bacterium that is commonly found in the environment, on our hands and in our refrigerators. Most people are routinely exposed to listeria with no health consequences. But one strain of



MATT JAMES/ECHO

Haliburton Foodland is taking extra precautions to ensure that all of its products are not on the recall list of Maple Leaf Foods products. Because the list is updated constantly, all new stock is checked before it's displayed for sale.

listeria - listeria monocytogenes - is a virulent strain and can lead to the very serious disease, listeriosis, particularly among at-risk populations, including pregnant women, newborns, the very old and people who are immuno-compromised."

The fact sheet says that listeria monocytogenes "is found in soil, water and the digestive system of warm-blooded animals including humans. While processed meat and poultry are cooked to destroy listeria monocytogenes, on rare occasions this environmental bacteria can recontaminate the product as it is being packaged, handled or distributed."

It is not yet known where and how this particular outbreak occurred. However, the Toronto plant of Maple Leaf Foods is believed to be at the heart of the contamination. It sells products under the Maple Leaf logo but also sells to other companies such as Schneiders.

The Rexall Drug Store in Haliburton sells meat products in a small refrigerated section and has also not been affected, says Michelle Lee, the company's director of corporate relations.

"We sent out a list of all products affected and asked all store managers to double check. We did this just for precautionary measures."

Staff at Highland Wood and other healthcare facilities in the county are being vigilant in their efforts to prevent an outbreak of listeriosis. "We've had no in-patients or residents who have come down with the associated symptoms," Laraine Shine, the infection control professional with Haliburton Highlands Health Services.

Shine says that the kitchen staff at both HHHS facilities - Hyland Crest in Minden and Highland Wood in Haliburton - have been "fantastic."

Health agencies post information online

"Listeriosis poses a very low risk to the general population since healthy people rarely become ill when exposed to the bacteria," said Dr. David Williams, Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health. "Those most at risk include pregnant women, the very old, the very young and those with weakened immune systems."

Quick facts

- The average age of confirmed cases is 76.
- All confirmed cases with complete information live in an institution or were hospitalized prior to the onset of the illness. A small number of confirmed cases have information pending.
- The incubation period for listeriosis is from three to 70 days with an average incubation period of three weeks.

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Artists can catch a ride to One of a Kind show with HCDC

The Community Futures Development Corporations of Eastern Ontario are offering support for artists and artisans in rural Eastern Ontario to display and sell their work at the Spring 2009 One of a Kind Show and Sale in Toronto.

The One of a Kind Show is Canada's largest and most prestigious retail show featuring the work of artists and artisans from across Canada.

Twenty-four artists and artisans from rural Eastern Ontario working in the areas of visual art, craft, photography, fashion design, artisanal food and more will be featured in a special Eastern Ontario Artists Marketplace within the One of a Kind Show. Support for artists and artisans will include the cost of entry to the show, the cost of constructing a display booth, mentoring on booth design and market readiness, inclusion in a special website

promoting the marketplace as well as the One of a Kind website and production of marketing materials for use at the show.

The deadline for applications is September 23.

To get the criteria and application form artists or artisans can contact Jim Blake - Eastern Ontario Artists Marketplace Coordinator at jblake@haliburtoncdc.ca or 705-457-3555 or go to www.haliburtoncdc.ca

Rain and gas prices keep cottagers at home

"If it costs me \$20 more in gas and it's going to rain all weekend, then why bother?"

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prices and inclement weather that kept potential tourists from making the trek to cottage country.

"I think both had quite an impact," says Burden. "We've had summers before with rotten weather but we were still up over the year before, so I think it's a combination of both weather and gas prices."

Burden says his store was hardest hit during May and June. And while sales began to rebound in late July and August, once the weather started to turn around, Burden says they were still lower than they were in 2007.

"There were definitely fewer people coming through," he says. "I wouldn't necessarily say the ones that were here were spending less, there was just fewer people."

Bob Park, owner of Foodland in downtown Haliburton, couldn't agree more.

Since Park keeps detailed records of how many customers his store serves every day, he can say without a doubt that there were some weeks this summer where Foodland was down more than 1,000 customers from the same week in 2007.

Like Burden, Park says he blames slow sales on a combination of things, but says miserable weather is what made the big difference between this year and last.

"I think the main thing that hurt us was definitely the weather. The snow was still here until almost May," says Park.

Park also believes that people were tightening their purse strings this summer due to growing fears that Canada's economy is headed toward turbulent times.

"The grocery bill is one of the only expenses that you can cut back on," he says. "You can't change how much the heating bill is but you can change how much you spend on groceries."

Andy Glecoff, owner of the V&S Department Store across the street, says he noticed the same trend. Not only were there fewer people out shopping but the average sale was also lower than it has been in years past.

"It's all related to the economy and to the perception of the economy. When people are told things are getting worse, they tend to believe it and react accordingly. It's a domino effect. Everyone tightens up," says Glecoff.

"We're all facing the same challenge. Whether it started with the cooler weather and rainy July, or whether it started with the downturn of the economy and loss of jobs south of here, it certainly reflected in local commerce. There's no doubt about it."

As a result, Glecoff says businesses such as his also weren't able to provide the same number of summer jobs this year, which means the impact was felt by more than just the county's business owners.

"It's a vicious cycle. Everybody's in the loop and it affects us all," he says.

Who's missing?

Regardless of what caused the drop in numbers, few in the Highlands would disagree that summer tourism in 2008 fell below the comfortable norm that most retailers in the county are accustomed to.

What's not as certain, however, is exactly who was missing from the equation that makes Haliburton's summer economy hum.

Andrea Hagarty, owner of the Bonnie View Inn on Lake Kashagawigamog, says that despite fuel prices and rainy weekends, bookings at her resort stayed strong throughout the entire summer.

"I honestly can't complain," says Hagarty. "Guest-wise I wasn't down at all from last year, though I did notice there were a lot more last-minute bookings this year."

Where Hagarty did feel the pinch, she says, was at her licensed lakeside patio bar, which is generally hopping in the summer months. This year it was left wet and empty.

"We were probably down 40 per cent, and that's 100 per cent weather-related," she says. "Our patio is my nest egg for the winter, so that was a hard hit. We closed it more times than we've ever had to close it, and it never really got busy because it was so rainy."

But Hagarty wasn't the only one who didn't notice a lack of visitors to the area.

Janice Bishop, owner of Haliburton's All-Season Cottage Rentals, says she too found business to be steady as always this summer, though she also noticed the trend toward last-minute bookings.

"Cottage rentals were great, but the booking patterns were a little different this year," Bishop says. "I can only attribute it to the bad weather we had in May and June. It resulted in a lot of last-minute bookings... I swear, people were waiting for a weather report before booking a cottage for the week."

While business was good, Bishop says some people were also finding ways to vacation in the area without spending quite as much money up front.

"I notice this year especially that people who would normally rent a cottage for themselves were getting something a little bit bigger and splitting it with another family," she says. "That offers a lot of cost advantages."

Still, if resorts and cottage rentals weren't down, then what made the summer of 2008 such a hard pill for local retailers to swallow?

Greg Tibbitts, owner of the Shamrock Shell Service Station, thinks one of the biggest differences this summer was that cottagers weren't visiting the area as frequently because the wet weather meant they'd be cooped up in the cottage all day.

"My theory has always been, if it costs me \$20 more in gas to get to my cottage, I wouldn't really care. But if it costs me \$20 more and it was going to rain all weekend, then why bother?"

Tibbitts says gas sales dropped about 10 per cent from the summer of 2007. Business, he says, was "mediocre at best," but what he really noticed was that the volume of people passing through the area was down.

Again, he chalks it up almost entirely to rain.

V&S Glecoff says he spoke to many cottagers who admitted flat-out that they made fewer trips this summer than any other summer on record.

"I talked to one guy in mid-July and he told me 'I'm ashamed to admit this but this is my first time up this summer,'" says Glecoff.

"The first few weekends were really good because it rained and people had nothing to do at the cottage. They came up, flooded into town, and bought a lot of colouring books and games to keep the kids busy. But they got tired of that after a while, and eventually they just stayed home and went to a show," he says. "I guess Mother Nature can be cruel sometimes."

At Foodland, Park also suggests that the area was lacking in "transients" this summer, such as people who would normally pass through on a day trip to Algonquin Park. Such trips just weren't as popular this year, once again because the weather made them undesirable.

Jim Henwood, owner of Henwood's Variety says, "We had a brutal July. All it did was rain, rain, rain, rain... and that's the month almost everyone takes their holidays."

The odd exception

Of course, as with most things in life, there always seems to be the odd exception to the rule.

In Haliburton, one could say that exception this summer was the Kosy Korner, which owners Janet and Jim Tice say was bustling with life nearly every single day it was open.

"We've been lined up every day. To me it's been pretty much the same and we've had the same amount of staff on, too. It's kept everyone busy," says Janet during a five-minute break from the Kosy's hectic kitchen. "My biggest problem this year has been [finding enough] staff."

Jim, who manages the books for the Kosy, says June was up from 2007 and August will almost certainly be as well. July, he says, was down just slightly, due in large part to one particularly slow week in the village.

"There was one week where it pretty well rained every day," says Jim. "Nobody was around... It was dead on the main street, and that made the big difference I think."

Staying positive

In interviews with more than a dozen business owners and professionals across the Haliburton Highlands, Les Feero, sales manager at Bryson's Marine, was one of the only other people with a success story to share.

While most boat dealers in Ontario and the United States were hit hard this year, Feero says Bryson's was fortunate to have one of its best sales years on record for higher-end fibreglass boats, due in part to the strong Canadian dollar, which helped him purchase boats from the U.S. at a much cheaper cost.

However, while higher-end boat sales were up, Feero says the opposite can be said for tin boats, gas sales, and service and repairs. What this suggests, says Feero, is that those who are tightening up most are the middle class.

"Someone who owns a million-dollar cottage isn't going to be hurt by \$1.50 a litre," he said. "But a normal Joe that goes out fishing in his 10- or 20-year-old boat, that's where you're going to lose those sales."

Like others, Feero suggests that cottaging took a hard hit this summer (some docks on Lake Kashagawigamog went unused all summer, he says) but he also stops short of saying that things won't turn around for the better.

Even with all its faults and downfalls, the summer of 2008, he says, was just a bump in the road, and with any luck Haliburton's economy can get itself back on track.

"Sometimes I think we're spoiled up here. We live in a great area of Ontario and it's almost like we expect business to be great here every summer," says Feero.

"I just hope not everybody says it's gloom and doom, because once you start saying it, you start believing it."



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Numbers of visitors drops dramatically in July

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

Whether the weather, higher gas prices, or a weakening economy was at fault, interest in the Haliburton Highlands as a vacation spot was lower this summer than 2006 and 2007.

According to statistics supplied by the county, queries at the Highway 35 information centre were up at record-high numbers for January, February, March and April of 2008, but then dropped below last year's numbers once the summer took hold.

Records show that in the first four months of 2008 the tourist information centre had 3,034 inquiries, up from 2,834 during the same period last year.

However, in May, June and July of this year the centre had 4,293 inquiries, compared to 5,075 during the same period last year – a drop of almost 800.

By far the largest drop was during July – the rainiest month – when only 2,133 people made inquiries. That's lower than the 2,547 recorded in July 2007, and far lower than the 3,349 recorded in July 2006.

The stats include telephone queries, e-mails, and walk-ins to the office by people interested in vacationing in Haliburton County.

Numbers have not yet been tabulated for August, although staff at the centre say interest picked up once the weather finally began to turn around in mid-August.



Anne Lavery, seen here on a tour of ArtTech Studio in Tory Hill, says the year was going well until May, when a lot fewer people started to express interest in the Highlands.

Ann Lavery, a tourism co-ordinator at the Minden tourist information centre, says that, while higher gas prices were a nuisance for everyone, she doesn't feel they were responsible for the drop in numbers.

"People coming in to this office didn't complain about the gas prices, and people on the phone didn't complain about the gas prices," says Lavery. "Personally, I don't think I'd cancel my trip or not go somewhere because it costs me \$20 more to fill my tank up."

Robert Smith, Haliburton County's director of economic development, tourism and marketing, says he feels gas prices were an added thorn in the side for potential tourists who were already feeling deterred by poor weather.

In addition, Smith says the strong Canadian dollar made it more attractive for tourists from the Greater Toronto Area to stay home or head south. GTA attractions such as Ontario Place and the Royal Ontario Museum, he notes, have experienced record numbers this summer, up 19 per cent and 65 per cent from 2007 respectively, and

trips from the U.S. to Ontario from January to June were down 14.9 per cent, according to figures from the Ministry of Tourism.

"Considering the weather, frequency of rain, high cost of gas, and parity of the dollar, most of our operators are hurting to a degree," Smith says.

Of course, it's not just Haliburton County that's in the pinch. The Barrie Tourist Information Centre on Highway 400, for example, is also reporting a drop of 15.7 per cent for June 2008 compared to June 2007, Smith says.

But, fortunately, the good news is that interest in the Highlands seems to be growing once again, with many people now requesting destination guides, maps, and information on the county's fall studio tour coming up this October.

"Phones have really picked up now for fall," says Lavery. "I'd say we're sending out 30 or more packages a day."

Highway 35 info centre stats

Includes telephone queries, e-mails and walk-ins

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals
2002	334	393	292	310	442	666	932	710	460	505	249	193	5486
2003	337	300	244	192	121	178	321	365	293	325	125	113	2914
2004	348	383	309	440	517	693	1205	2136	497	800	260	177	7765
2005	432	381	305	611	628	936	1850	2387	1795	1258	581	576	11740
2006	539	539	341	772	464	932	3349	2566	1527	1425	799	597	13850
2007	710	549	426	1149	1434	1094	2547	2323	1464	1753	992	842	15283
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PUBLIC MEETING PLANNED FOR SEPT. 20TH

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It's not all bad news

THINK BACK TO JUNE. The media basked a frenzy of bad news. Gas prices were going to hit \$1.50 a litre, prompting everyone to stay at home, headlines roared. Tourism was going to suffer. The Canadian dollar, still strong, wasn't going to help, the pundits added. The loss of jobs at GM in Oshawa was going to put a damper on people's willingness to spend money, economists said to much fanfare.

Everyone seemed to be taking perverse glee in telling everyone else how bad it was going to be.

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editorial

martha perkins

People did believe it. They believed we were in some sort of national crisis and they behaved appropriately.

But you know what? Summer is such an anticipated season that there's no way we'd all be willing to spend it at home. With such a short window of opportunity to be outside doing something, we weren't going to stay in our backyards for two months. Yes gas prices were high, but we'd seen \$1.35 a litre before and lived to tell the tale. The loss of high-paying manufacturing jobs was worrisome but just because it would cause people to change their spending habits, it didn't mean they'd stop spending altogether. Indeed, maybe some of the people who were going to drive across Canada would decide to rent a cottage in Haliburton instead.

At the tourist information centre in Minden, the call and visit volumes were beating last year's numbers until all the bad news started to be reported. It's like a tap got turned off. By the end of July and August things started to pick up again as people realized that a slowing economy wasn't a death sentence.

What did affect us was the rain. People did get tired of it and didn't want to spend their holidays sitting inside their cottage. That's when they started staying at home instead.

No one can control the weather but we can influence how it's viewed. What's the matter with playing board games on a rainy day? And for kids who'd call them bored games, isn't it already hard to convince them to turn off their video games to go outside and play? It's all about how you make the sales pitch. In the winter, a forecast of two centimetres of snow is reported with such nervous apprehension that people think they're taking their lives into their own hands if they dare to drive anywhere.

Let's not start believing dire predictions. Recognize that the media sells more stuff if they have bad news to report. It's often the complainers that get their time in the spotlight, not the people who say, "You know, I'm really doing okay."

The summer was okay. It was survivable for local businesses. It wasn't ideal but it's difficult to imagine anyone having to close their doors as a result.

But, as Les Feero says in this week's Echo, "I just hope not everybody says it's gloom and doom, because once you start saying it, you start believing it."



Stumps on the water

Photos by Martha Perkins

The crime about CrimeStoppers

Did you know that the brilliant system of criminal investigation known as CrimeStoppers was invented by a Canadian? I didn't until I casually picked up a CrimeStoppers brochure to pass some time while waiting in line.

In case you don't know the story, it goes like this. A Canadian detective named Greg MacAleese, while working for the Albuquerque, New Mexico Police Department, was investigating a gas station robbery where an attendant had been shot and killed. There were no leads and after six weeks the investigation was stopped. MacAleese had always believed that for every crime there had to be at least one other person who knew something about it. He felt that those who had the pertinent information were probably afraid to come forward for fear of reprisal.

So he came up with a scheme to try to get around this forced silence. He made available a cash reward for information payable to the tipster upon the arrest of the criminal(s). A secret number was given to the tipster along with a guarantee that his or her identity would never be known. Within 48 hours of posting the reward, two people were arrested and later convicted of murder. Thus the birth of the program.

CrimeStoppers is now worldwide with more than 1,000 programs in place, and in 2006 received standing recognition with the U.N.

Canada has 90 CrimeStopper programs in place, of which 39 are here in Ontario, including the Kawartha-Haliburton program. All thanks to a bright idea from the creative mind of Detective Greg MacAleese. And that is the great part of this story.

The criminal part is: CrimeStoppers receives

absolutely no government funding. I couldn't believe my eyes when I read this. CrimeStoppers relies on fundraising to operate the program. This is criminal. What kind of people do we elect?

OK, I realize that no one in government came up with the idea, but we're used to that. Here is a program that allows the population to safely report crime, provides an incentive to do so, and has proven to save untold man-hours for police – in fact, it has brought to justice thou-

sands of felons who probably would never have been caught. And the government doesn't want anything to do with it? What, jails too full? Too many criminals to feed?

I often get the feeling that local governments see the police as part of their marketing arm charged with the task of arresting speeders to keep revenues up, while making it easy for the bad guys to plea bargain their way out of jail terms to save money. Hello. CrimeStoppers is a huge idea that has been

embraced by police forces around the world; it's responsible for thousands of arrests, and has put the power of the people into helping law enforcement get the bad guys. This doesn't deserve to be funded by our governments?!

Sometimes we have to revise the old adage to "If it ain't broke, fix it anyway." This is one of those cases, methinks.

Don't get me wrong. I'm not one to go looking for new ways to spend our tax dollars but in this case I think our governments are being penny wise and pound foolish. CrimeStoppers has and will save our tax money in the long run. Not to mention clear some of our more dangerous criminals off the streets.



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Hat's off

There are moments in life when you witness things that do not make any sense within the context of their surroundings. And, if no answers are forthcoming, these moments can, and will, eventually drive you crazy.

That's why I'd like to apologize to the woman in the passenger seat of the sedan that drove by my house last Tuesday evening.

I mean, here that person was, just sitting there, probably listening to the radio and sight seeing when, out of nowhere, and for no good reason, standing in the middle of a lawn in central Ontario, was a man dressed in a sombrero and poncho. Oh sure, he was waving cordially and not acting as if anything was out of the ordinary but, between you and me, I don't think that helped.

Before you think any less of me, let me just say that I had a very good reason for donning this traditional Mexican attire – the hat makes me look taller. This was fairly important at the time since we were expecting company whose average height was approximately 5-foot-7 and I wanted them to feel at home. And, of course, I wore the poncho because I didn't want to look like an idiot just standing there in a sombrero. Put this way, I'm sure it all makes perfect sense now. Right?

In all fairness, however, that lady in the car probably didn't know all, or any, of this. At least that's what I can assume, judging from the double-take and wide eyed look of disbelief.

Let's be honest – you don't often see people wearing Mexican clothing in central Ontario. That's probably because most people here are tall.

With that in mind, I am guessing that the ensuing conversation in that passing automobile went something like this.

"Oh my God, you should have asked for directions! We're really lost this time!" says she.

"What do you mean lost?" he says.

"Didn't you see that Mexican man standing on the front lawn of that place?"

"Did you forget to take your medication, by any chance?" he replies.

"Don't blame this on the medication!" she snaps. "I fall asleep for an hour or two and suddenly we're approaching Acapulco!"

The next day or so, I expect, might have featured that poor woman trying to convince her husband that she had indeed seen a Mexican-looking man in a sombrero and poncho standing there on my front lawn.

He, of course, would look at her as if she had completely lost it and argue, very rationally, that this sort of thing just doesn't happen out in rural central Ontario. He'd then tell her to calm down and try to get some sleep.

On the surface, she'd agree. But deep down, she'd be terrified of falling asleep, believing that the next time she woke she'd be driving by some peasant and his team of oxen on the outskirts of Beijing.

The good part is that, after a while, if she is anything like most people, his arguments and common sense slowly prevailed and doubt started creeping in.

I imagine that she then began to analyze her coffee addiction a little more closely. After all, it's not every day that you imagine seeing Juan Valdez waving as you pass. He is, she'd attest, taller than you imagined too.

It will take time, of course, but eventually, that poor woman will lead a relatively normal life again. Okay, she'll have to put up with a slight facial tick every time she passes a coffee shop or sees any western movie set in Mexico. But other than that, things will be fine. It will be as if the senorita never passed my hacienda.

On the flip side, this incident also serves to remind me how desensitized people can get to sights like this. While that poor woman is, after merely one brief encounter with me, struggling to maintain a tenuous grip on her sanity, my wife never even batted an eyelash when I walked into the kitchen dressed like Pancho Villa.

"Well?" I said, as I tipped back the sombrero.

"Would you mind passing me the tea pot?" she answered.

It was a classic case of denial. Perhaps, threatened by my new-found towering height, she treated me in exactly the same way you'd treat anyone who was not dressed in stereotypical Mexican attire.

You know, it's as if she's living in some sort of fantas world...

tales from



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pic of the past

In 1941, Molly and Lou Consky put their names together to come up for a name of their new movie theatre, the Molou. Lou had grown up in Fenelon Falls and met Molly when she worked at her parents' store on Haliburton's main street. Molly's father was Sam Zalkin, who had started the women's clothing store, and her mother was Bella. Molly was four when her father died. Her mother, Bella, married Sam's friend, Saul Bernstein, and together they ran the store under the Bernstein name. This week's Pic of the Past, courtesy of the Consky family, is of Sam and Bella Zalkin.

letters to the editor

Oh to have a goose-less park

Letter to the Editor:

Last week when in Orillia we went for a walk along the waterfront. The flowers were lovely but what impressed us the most were all the people enjoying their beautiful park.

There were little children rolling on the grass, older children playing Frisbee, families picnicking,

babies in strollers, kids swimming, dogs walking their humans and elderly people in wheelchairs enjoying it all. Not one goose in sight! Wouldn't it be great if we could enjoy our park too?

Sincerely,
Joan Barnes
Haliburton

FUME fights from the inside

To the Editor:

On Thursday, August 28, I attended the hearings in Kingston on Mining Act reform, to participate in those discussions on behalf of my own and several other lake associations in Haliburton, as well as being a member of FUME, whose founder, Robin Simpson, was also present. We are concerned about the devastating potential of open pit uranium mining in our area, and its threat to our environment and health. We chose to argue for change from the inside, not simply protest outside, although we respect, even share,

the protesters' concerns.

In the afternoon, a broad range of about 100 people from many backgrounds and communities were grouped (according to the choosing of ministry organizers) at separate tables for an interchange of thoughts and comments upon ways to amend the Mining Act. After first being given a suggested "discussion program" to play by, and somewhat encouraged to think in pre-selected patterns, we were asked to record our thoughts and report back. It was quite obvious

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Boonieville by Charlie Teljeur



Arts under attack by federal Tories, Dion's wife says

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

The federal Conservative government's cuts in arts funding are not only an ideological campaign against artists, but they also threaten other aspects of the economy and Canadian culture, Liberal leader Stéphane Dion's wife said during a visit to Haliburton on Saturday.

"These institutions are under attack," Janine Kriebler said as the last of summer's sun poured through the windows of Fleming College's Great Hall. "[The Conservatives'] strategies are insidious. They cut small little programs one by one. It's very dangerous..."

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MARTHA PERKINS/ECHO

Federal Liberal candidate Marlene White, right, and her campaign assistant Heather Brooks-Hill, left, took Janine Kriebler, centre, on a tour of the riding, dropping by Fleming College in Haliburton to discuss arts-related issues. Kriebler had harsh criticism of the Conservative government's cuts to arts programs.

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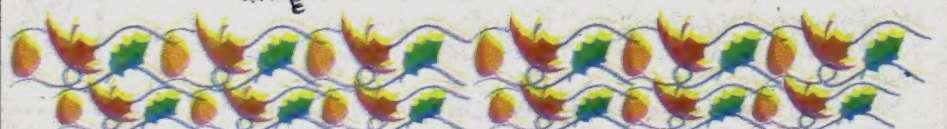
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Artists need support of government

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"The [Conservative] party fears freedom of expression and how artists can be critical of government. As a government you have to accept that art is not the prop of the state. This government is scared of criticism."

The \$45 million cuts in arts-based budgets is "nothing" when taken as part of the entire federal budget, she says. She thinks that eliminating funds that help artists improve their skills is personal and visceral as well as political. "They don't like the, quote, kind of artists who get the grants."

Kriber's first university degree was in Fine Arts and the tour of the Haliburton arts campus made her nostalgic for the days when she could devote her energies to art. She later made the switch to political science, getting her PhD at the most prestigious political science university in Paris. Her specialty is terrorism and she was a professor at a military college in Québec.

As wife of the leader of the official opposition, Kriber says she now has the opportunity to advocate for the arts, which she says are part of every facet of our society. Even Stornoway, the house that comes with her husband's job, provides motivation enough to protect the arts. It is filled with Canadian artwork that inspires and energizes her. Living there makes her realize "These people need me. I can do something for [artists] because I am close to political power."

A society without a vibrant arts culture cannot be a society with a vibrant technological culture. "You don't bring in your cities bright engineers without good music and opportunities to attend art exhibits."

Jeremy Carver is a biophysicist whose wife is volunteering with local Liberal candidate Marlene White's campaign. He agrees with Kriber's assessment of the link between art and innovation.

"Science is art," he said during the round

table discussion. "It's the same creative process. You don't get creative science unless you have a creative society."

White, who is a retired elementary school principal, stressed the importance of early arts education. "It begins with children," she says of how a society learns to value the arts as part of their daily life. There are teachers who love the arts but need to be given the tools to teach them.

Kriber said that the Liberal government of Paul Martin had to make budget cuts to improve the economy. Not only did that work, but he did so while improving funding for arts organizations on a national and local level.

The average income of a Canadian artist is \$12,000, she says. A government can help by providing small grants to help pay for a myriad of opportunities as well as providing incentives for people to buy original art. Maybe there can be tax relief for buyers or incentives for businesses to buy art.

"The word Stéphane uses very often is sustainability," she says.

Stephen Patrick is the president of the Rails End Gallery in Haliburton. He told Kriber that the last decade has been hard on the small organizations such as his. "We've been savaged by every level of government," he said. Today, instead of focusing on programming, most volunteer boards have full-time roles as fundraisers to make up for the shortfall in funding.

"Is Monsieur Dion's commitment strong enough to reverse those trends," he asked.

"Yes, there's a commitment," she said, adding that while she could not give the numbers, the commitment is not only for artists and institutions but also for teaching art.

What about acknowledging the link between art and technology, asked Anita Kuno.

"That's one of his best points," Kriber said.

White said that "Whenever I've had an opportunity to give ideas to Stéphane, he listens. Our party is a two-way street."

She says she's been struck by his "honesty, integrity and courage of his conviction versus [Stephen Harper] who's autocratic and controlling. [Dion] was a gentleman who stood up to the separatists during the debate over the Clarity Act; the other was building a firewall...."

"Under [Dion's] demeanour is a really fierce Canadian."

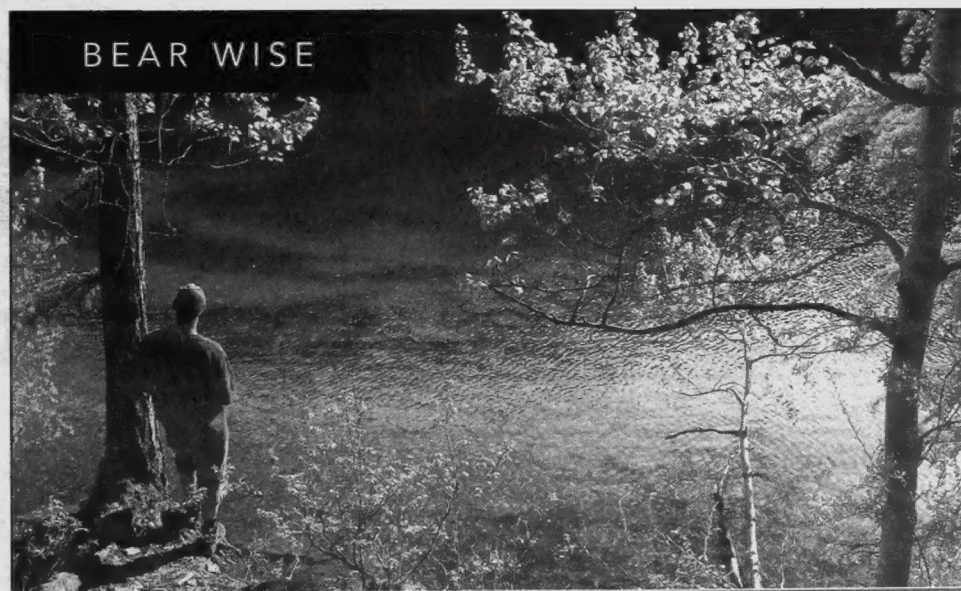
Brad Colpitts, a Haliburton resident helping with White's campaign in the northern part of the riding, says that the arts are part of what makes the economy strong and need to be supported.

"The economy drives everything," he said. "The '90s were a tough period. Tough decisions were made to get finances back in reasonable order but we've just come through a period of sustained growth."

"The \$45 million in cuts to the arts, that means nothing to the federal budget. It's symbolic. People can see where the choices are."



Dr. Kriber, right, said the Haliburton campus of Fleming College brought back happy memories of her arts training. She'd like to come back when students are present.



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A clear consensus emerges from talks

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that the organizers had inserted a "designated hitter" at almost every table – someone representing the mining industry, sent there to educate the masses and to try to defend against too much significant change or inroads upon the status quo.

At the end of two hours each table reported back. It was readily obvious that the groups' minds and discussions had ranged far beyond the curtailed, programmed thinking sought by the organizers. What was amazing and enlightening was that, as each individual table reported back, it became clear that several themes were emerging. In the end, a clear consensus shone through:

One: there is a need and a desire that subsurface mineral rights must be reunited with surface ownership rights, at least for that very small percentage of private land in the southern part of Ontario (1.4 per cent of all privately-held land). This represents a very small concession by government and the mining industry but would remove massive amounts of bad feeling and friction caused by the "free entry" system – the presently imbedded right of prospectors and miners to enter private property at short notice and do exploration which can severely alter and destroy the surface without true compensation.

Two: there was repeated reference that municipal planning goals expressed through Official Plans, zoning by-laws, etc., must be accorded far more impact and control right from the very beginning of the exploration and development process, not ignored or over-ridden by a distant mines ministry. Local government must be accorded control over the use of Crown lands falling within their municipal boundaries.

Three: there was extremely strong empathy for the plight of Aboriginal peoples but, even more so, the demand that they not only be treated fairly but that we all, of whatever origin, be treated the same. All people of this province deserve respect for their individual property rights. In the case of unsettled land claims, exploration thereon must wait until claims are conclusively settled, or rights to enter and mine are properly negotiated, in good faith.

Four: Southern Ontario has been neglected to date; the emphasis of change and fairness has already begun in the North. It's time the act was modernized to take into account the changing needs of the southern portions.

Five: for all the ballyhoo by the ministry about the importance of mining and the impact it has upon the provincial economy, many speakers commented on the even greater contributions of the cottage, tourist, recreation and environment sector. This part of the provincial economy outweighs by billions and billions of dollars the investment in real property and capital improvements, in job creation and in taxes, paid by mining. Let's get the priorities straight and get the picture of what we're dealing with in better, more honest balance. Mining should be subservient to the goals of municipal, environment and health ministry policies, not dominate them. Let's make certain we have better studies on what we allow to happen to our communities before we endanger them.

What this 'fly on the wall' saw and heard was a consensus of strong themes coherently, rationally, calmly presented in the afternoon. It came together from separate mouths working at separate tables. Even naysayers would have to have been impressed by the common thread reported back. We achieved a remarkable solidarity.

The organizers were listening; the question remaining is whether they actually heard us?

Part two:

The evening was given over to a 'town hall'-type meeting, attended by about 150 folks. Again, the organizers began with an overview presentation of mining's significance to the provincial economy, all very self-promoting, and a request that attendees try to think about improvements to the Mining Act along a series of pre-selected avenues.

Wonder of wonders! The crowd was simply directed to make brief, two-minute comments from either of two

microphones in the audience. One by one, those who took to their feet began to express comments identical in most respects to those made during the afternoon. I won't repeat the themes as they are already dealt with above.

It was the same pattern, the same consensus, the same pleas.

The ministry officials listened politely. There were no political representatives present, or at least identified as such. They listened Did they hear?????

There were a few comments from prospectors and miners, much in the minority. Most claimed to be "good guys" who respected as best as possible the property rights of others. Many even were in agreement, quietly, with a number of the changes requested. There was not a lot of opposition voiced, at least to my ears, to reunification of surface and subsurface rights in those small areas affected. Perhaps some minor form of compensation has to be worked out. The companies don't like the

thought of facing tighter municipal controls but why should they not have to comply with what the rest of us are faced with, Crown lands notwithstanding? We all have to get along in the same municipality, mines as well as ordinary folk. Some miners even expressed a willingness to begin sharing revenues with municipalities. That, of course, leads to issues of whether we are being 'bought off' but, properly done, could be an improvement upon the present.

All in all, a productive day – if government minds were truly absorbing what was said, and being stated remarkably consistently at that!!

Roger Young

President, Little Glamour Lake Cottagers' Association
Haliburton, Ontario

Attendee and comment-giver
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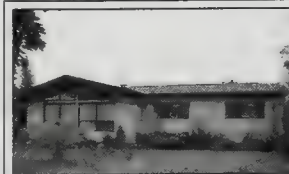
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Bell helps kids pack for school

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

Backpacks filled with school supplies will hang from the shoulders of 44 kids of Haliburton County this September thanks to Bell Aliant's Backpacks for Kids program.

Pulling into the driveway of Haliburton's Point In Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents on August 28 were two Bell SUVs carrying employees Liz Boxall and John Welch and 44 backpacks. Marg Cox, the executive director of Point In Time, said it didn't take long for the backpacks to be spoken for.

How quickly the backpacks were claimed by the young people served by the centre illustrated how such donations can really make a financial difference for a family.

"Within 12 hours they were all 'snatched up,'" said Cox.

The backpacks were donated by local Bell Aliant members and filled with school supplies thanks to generous individuals and business partners in the community. Two of those who played a major role this year were the Highlands East Fire Department and Rick Stewart and Rhonda Cooper from Buck-Up Closeouts in Haliburton, who helped stuff the packs.

"They brought the backpacks to us with list of items they'd like to have in them," said Stewart. "And we added a few other things to them."

He said they participated because they love kids so much. "Anything to do with kids we're happy to help out and do what can."

Stewart said things came together at the last minute but said "next year we'll be able to plan for it. They will be stuffed."

Bell has seen increases on all fronts of the program. Across Ontario the total dollar value of the backpacks went up \$11,000 from \$21,000 and the total number of backpacks rose from 600 to 800. Locally, 24 more backpacks were distributed.

"We hope to keep doubling every year," said Boxall.

The backpacks provide disadvantaged kids with the right tools to succeed in the classroom.



MATT JAMES/ECHO

Point In Time executive director Marg Cox, middle, is surrounded by Bell Aliant employees Liz Boxall and John Welch and the 44 donated backpacks filled with school supplies.

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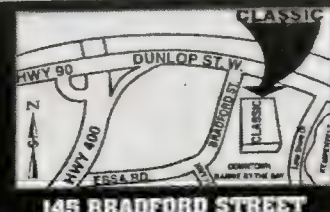
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The Molou hasn't made money in past decade

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hence the theatre's name – has movies lined up until Thanksgiving. After that the theatre will close with the possibility it may re-open at Christmas and on holidays.

"We've been supporting the business for a good 10 or 15 years," says her son Allan Consky, one of three siblings who as toddlers sat on their mother's lap as she sold tickets to moviegoers. "If we can keep it at a break-even point we'll run it for another year but otherwise it will have to close."

"We get a lot of people saying 'Don't close it' but they're not coming [to watch the movies]."

For instance, the third installment of *The Mummy* was a bust a few weeks ago. On Friday night, there were only a handful of people in the watching Meryl Streep sing her way through *Mamma Mia!*

Allan calls the Molou "a living museum, maybe one of the last incarnations of a small-town movie theatre still around and run by the original family."

To much fanfare, the theatre opened in 1941 with *Down Argentine Way* with Betty Grable and Carmen Miranda. Tickets were 36 cents for adults, 18 cents for children and admission included newsreels, short features including Abbott and Costello and cartoons for the kids.

MARTHA PERKINS/Echo



Molly Consky has been a familiar sight behind the snack bar counter for 67 years. She and her husband Lou worked as a team to bring the magic of the movies to small towns. She'd bring her children to work with her; later they'd all have jobs at the theatre.

Before that, movies were projected onto a wall in the town hall.

In those days, theatre owners paid a flat rate for the movie and then kept any profits. Molly says the first movies cost \$50 and given the lack of any other entertainment in the small, relatively isolated village, they were able to

fill the theatre every night. The theatre's popularity grew with the area's cottage industry and going to the Molou became a rite of summer for everyone. The theatre was so busy that they were able to show two movies a week, including Saturday matinees and a midnight Sunday

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Conskys welcome ideas for the future

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viewing. (Townpeople frowned on going to the movies on Sunday, which was reserved for going to church.) There'd be line-ups down the street every night.

Today, the distribution companies take 50 to 70 per cent of all ticket sales and often demand a two-week run. That's okay if you have several other movies in the same building. In Haliburton it means running one movie, and one movie only, for two weeks, whether it's a flop or blockbuster – and there haven't been too many blockbusters lately.



The Molou provided the only window to the outside world when it opened. It was a ritual of summer to go there.

Lou Consky might have been frustrated by the changes but he had diversified into other businesses over the years. Keeping the Molou open was a favourite hobby long after he'd closed or sold his other theatres in Minden, Fenelon Falls and Mat-tawa. He'd choose the movies and take the quick stroll from his house on main street to the theatre to check on everything from the popcorn machine to the heating system to the number of seats being filled.

When he died in December 2007, everyone worried that the Molou would die with him.

"They were a team," Lynda Stoller says of her parents. "When one part of the team goes, when it's no longer a team, it's no longer fun."

"It's a whole different era now. It's time to move on. Even if my dad were alive, we were already talking about cutting back. He'd say he was doing it for the staff but he was doing it for himself. He loved it."

Like her brothers Allan and Stan, she was given tasks to do at the theatre almost as soon as she started school. "My job was to fold up all the flyers – we went to every single lodge by boat," she says. "It was our first introduction to business."

The Consky kids were the envy of their friends, who all got free admission. Allan can remember when his father let him into the second-storey projection room to watch Albert Finney star in the steamy *Tom Jones* movie through the porthole. His father used to say, "The adults get the



The Molou sign has been lighting up main street since 1941.

smut, the kids just watch the movie."

Allan still loves watching movies at the theatre but, like his sister, says you can't keep the Molou open just for nostalgia. Stoller says, "It's an era that's lost. It's gone."

Molly is obviously conflicted about the thought of closing the theatre. Minutes after she says "I said, 'Close, close, close,'" she's telling her surprised children that she's already booked the movies that will run on weekends until Thanksgiving. At 85, she still has the dream of splitting the screen so they can show two movies at once.

But even if there was a way of getting more people into the theatre, there's still the poor state of the building itself. "It's a mess," Molly says. There were problems last winter with water and heating because Lou had always taken care of winterizing the building and no one knew what steps

he took. If his family closes the theatre at Thanksgiving with plans to re-open for the Christmas holiday crowd, how do you get the old building warm again? What about all the candy and pop? How does it stay fresh?

"When you lose someone as significant as my dad, it's a significant change," Allan says. "He's gone and it's time to move on."

He says, "We need a stakeholder purchaser, someone who wants to be a small-town movie magnate."

He invites people to help the family come up with new ideas for the Molou and how to keep it open and profitable enough to make the changes that are necessary.

"It's a big decision," says Molly. "I told staff to run until Thanksgiving. I have two pictures coming up so far. If it's bad, I'll close."

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For 10 days at the end of August, there was magic being performed at the Haliburton Forest near Kennisis Lake. The Forest Festival, presented by R. Murray Schafer's Patria Projects, offered a wide variety of performances that ended on August 31. These performances included Davida Monk and her M-Body dancers from Calgary, Alberta, The Porkbelly Futures, Canadian soprano Mary Lou Fallis and Peter Tiefenbach, the Onnonako Drumming Ensemble, Forest Festival brass concerts as well as a presentation by R. Murray Schafer for a look behind the scenes of Patria. There really was something for everyone at this year's successful Forest Festival on Bone Lake, ten spectacular days of music and dance.



CHYNA SCHELL/Special to the Echo

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MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

On August 27 a group of art enthusiasts took a walk on the wild side, or at least the Wild Wood Walk Trail just up the road from the Haliburton Forest Wildlife Reserve's base camp.

The Wild Wood Walk was just one of eight events of the 2nd annual Forest Festival. In a span of 10 days in July, under the direction of forest curator Reinhard Reitzenstein, a group of five artists and a few keen helpers began work on art installations in the forest.

More than 90 per cent of the materials used to create and build the works came from the forest. Guiding the group through and explaining the installations along the way was Gayle Young, also one of the artists.

The theme of the Forest Festival is Eco-Arts and the Wild Wood Walk featured art installations with topics such as forest observation, the fragility of nature, wood art, and forest alchemy.



MATT JAMES/Echo



The group gathers inside Reinhard Reitzenstein's Forest Alembic. Reitzenstein wrote that the forest has always created shelter and that during the Middle Ages alchemists devised alembics and condensers to generate essential fluids made from natural life forms. Without the forest we could have no architecture. We would have no civilization. We would have no breath. The forest generates the means to sustain life.

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Grab your partner and try curling this winter

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

Last week the Haliburton Curling Club announced that registration is set for September 11 from 3 to 6 p.m. And because there might be some people still debating whether to join, some members new and old may help to convince you.

Tom Dibblee teaches at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School and joined the Haliburton Curling Club in 1989. Today he is the coach of the high school curling team. Ironically, when he was growing up everyone in his family curled except for him.

So when he arrived at HHSS, he thought, "What better way to learn how to curl them with all the other kids?"

As a newcomer to Haliburton Dibblee joined the mixed league and it wasn't long before he was hooked.

"I think it's really strategic and athletic," he said.

Today Dibblee curls twice a week – in the Monday evening competitive league and the Thursday evening men's league. He thinks curling is a "fun way to get involved in the community."

Aggie and Walter Tose have been members on and off since 1990. "It's a lot of fun," Aggie says. "I play competitively on Monday night but I also helped start the Friday night business league with Bob McNaull."

"I enjoy the competitiveness and the challenge of just trying to get the stone just right for the skipper," she said.

To anyone thinking about joining the club, she says, "Come out and try it for a year. You'll love it. It's great exercise and absolutely amazing socially."

Garry and Sylvia Bradshaw are entering their sixth

year as members. And with the combined age of 126, the Bradshaws get just what they need from the sport.

"It's good exercise, lots of fun, and gets you out of the house and doing stuff in the winter time," said Garry. "And we found it an excellent way to meet people and socialize."

While the couple doesn't mind winter, Garry said curling is an activity that keeps them active, other than shovelling snow of course. They used to live out west where they skied a lot but when they moved to Haliburton they decided to take up curling instead.

It's been at least 20 years since Sylvia curled and even longer for Garry.

So was getting back into the sport difficult or was it like riding a bike?

"It's not a hard game to get into, it's just a hard game to perfect," says a chuckling Garry.

He added that he and Sylvia aren't playing for Olympic gold and found the leagues very sociable.

"Most everybody, if not everybody, was out to have fun and certainly there is instruction there when you start so you can get the basics down," he said. "It's not one of these high-pressure leagues and there are even jobs if people want to get involved."

Garry is the club's treasurer.

The curling club has grown by leaps and bounds over the years. Long gone are the days when you weren't allowed to curl with your spouse. Today more and more couples want to do such activities together.

Take the Dafoes and the Stongs.

Bryan and Robyn Dafoe and Marcus and Megan Stong are entering their third year as members of the Friday night business league. They were invited to join by Rosie

and Kris Kadwell.

The Kadwells were having such a good time in the Friday night league they encouraged their friends to come out.

"And we're glad we did," said Robyn. "It was something that Bryan and I could do as husband and wife without doing the bar scene kind of thing, and it was social. It was more for that than it was for curling."

Bryan enjoys the fun, laugh-it-off yet competitive aspect of curling.

"And it's great exercise," he said. "It's muscles you don't use all the time. When we go back we'll be sore. If you haven't curled you won't feel stupid when you go out because everyone has been there and everyone [at the club] will try to help you out and get you going."

The Stongs joined because "we wanted something to do on Friday night and there wasn't much going on in the county," Marcus says.

What brings them back?

"Just the good times – the people we met and the curling itself," he says.

Marcus's favourite part is the patience it takes to learn the basics. He says it's all about the satisfaction of making a good shot. To those who are considering playing, Marcus says not to hesitate.

Long-time club member Bob McNaull says "Any curling club is in the business of attracting curlers and the Haliburton Curling Club is no different," he said.

To bring in more curlers the club is offering an \$80 discount to first-time members. Membership includes curling instruction in mid-October, just before the leagues get under way.

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Discount for new members

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There are a number of events throughout the year such as the Build the House bonspiel, which raises money to help support the club while mixing experienced curlers with new curlers who want to gain bonspiel experience. This will be the fourth year for the two-day tournament.

There's also a CFL Grey Cup party with the idea of curling first, watching football later. And of course what would a Grey Cup party be without chili?

Members can also look forward to a Christmas party where family, including kids and grandkids, friends and guests are welcome to come in and try curling.

"Anyone wanting to drop in and see just what there is and what is offered are welcome," says McNaul. "Check it out and see if you want to spend the money and want to join."

Registration is September 11 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. McNaul said there will be wine and cheese, hors d'oeuvres and a chance for new members to get acquainted with other members.

For further membership information contact Bob McNaul at 457-1872 and to register call Cheryl Smillie at 457-9073. The Haliburton Curling Club's number is 457-2830.



Curling is a great way of spending time as a couple and having fun like these couples, on left, Marcus and Megan Stong, Kris and Rosie Kadwell and Brian and Robin Dafoe.

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Al Bagg of Eagle Lake was proud of this classic gem.



What do you think of this group of hillbillies? The costumes in the parade were fanciful and creative.



The Legion's colour party reminded everyone that the parade honoured our veterans.



Larry and Ruth Strong of Tory Hill were getting the most out of summer with their Hawaiian outfits.

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- Toys are often made from a mixture of different types of plastics and metal, also making them unfeasible to recycle.

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Community loses life-long resident Elwood Townsend

VALERIE SMITH

Harcourt news

Editor's note: This column was intended for last week's paper.

August 16, 2008 marked the passing of life-long Harcourt resident, Elwood Allen Townsend at the age of 83. Elwood was born the sixth child of Charles and Jennie Townsend on September 22, 1924 at the Townsend homestead on Concession 2, Lot 21, Harcourt Twp. He spent his adolescent days in the family home with his five elder siblings and five younger brothers and sisters. As a young lad Elwood loved to build bobsleds during the long cold winter months. He was very well known for his bobsled design and was often found enthusiastically racing down Boundary Hill, leaving his fellow peers far behind him.

While growing up he spent many hours wondering about in the surrounding forest and fishing in nearby, unspoiled streams. It was during these youthful days he developed a very strong affiliation with the land. This connection carried on into his adult life and his love of outdoor life never faded. Elwood grew into a keen hunter, avid trapper, first-rate lumberman and excellent fisherman. During WW II he joined the army to help defend his nation.

He married Kay (Peters) on January 10, 1950 and they raised their four children on 23 acres of land that Elwood purchased from his father's 120-acre parcel of land in 1948. Elwood worked as a logger in local saw mills, trapped and was an integral part of the woodlands division of Martin Lumber in Harcourt.

In a poem written by fellow woodlands division employee and friend, Leonard Evans, Leonard described Elwood as "a small man in size; however, a strong man". In his later years, he seldom complained of the severe pain that racked his cancer-infected body. It was a testimony to the strength and courage he maintained through out his life.

Elwood will be very sadly missed but fondly remembered by his loving wife Kay, children Lois, Charles, Lynn and David, his nine grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, multitude of family and friends. Elwood was preceded in death by his sisters Mabel Watson, Ethel Lewis, Olive Coburn and brothers Pete, Lyman and Donald. He leaves to mourn, his sisters Hazel Gerow, Beatrice Hughey, Doreen Oakes and brother Sherwood Townsend.

His life can be summed up in the following poem:

When tired legs can no longer walk, God comes to us and has a talk. He says it's time for you to sit back and watch. He says it's times for you to watch no clocks. Just be there in case someone should ask, "Hey Elwood, how do I finish this task?" You were there for us when times got tough, but the pain you had, you suffered enough. So sit back and rest. We will take it from here. We have all learned from the best. We will have no fear."

The Harcourt Community Centre Euchre Club members had an excellent summer-end barbecue prior to their regular Euchre game this past Thursday evening. Thanks are extended to all who helped make the evening such a great success. Many hands definitely make light work!

This week's column

An early walk today brought a quick reminder that fall is in the air and it is time for our young people to be returning to school. It is the new beginning of the 2008-2009 school year and it is a time for excitement for students, parents and educators. Young people and parents are out shopping together for new clothes, new shoes and bright-

ly coloured back packs filled to capacity with new pens, pencils, notebooks that all add to their anticipation and excitement. As you travel about this week, please watch for our young people walking or standing alongside the road waiting for their bus. Please drive carefully and help us to keep them safe.

In every community, there is work to be done and in every heart, there is the power to do it. This is very true in our local communities. It was wonderful to attend Maynooth Madness and the Hastings Highlands' Loggers Games in Maynooth again this year. It is always a delight to attend this annual event and be met with such welcoming smiles and hellos. We shared an exceptional meal with family and friends at the St. Ignatius Church. We wish the parish all the best in raising money for the much needed new roof.

The Kawartha-Haliburton Crime Stoppers and the Kawartha Blue Knights-Ontario XV welcome all motorcycle enthusiasts to participate in their 2nd Annual Ride Against Crime Poker Run on Sunday, September 14. Crime Stoppers is an excellent program established to encourage community members to call in any information they may have of crimes to help combat crime in our area. The City of Kawartha Lakes Police Service provides a co-ordinator who oversees the program in conjunction with a volunteer board. Also on the board are representatives from the local OPP detachments who assist with the investigation of tips received. The board oversees the running of the program, they authorize the amount of rewards paid, and they organize fundraising events and promote the Crime Stoppers program.

The annual poker run is just one of their many fund raising events. The 225 km ride has stops in Fenelon Falls, Minden, Haliburton and Bobcaygeon. Registration is just \$25 or free with pledges of \$100. Registration takes place at East Side Mario's in Lindsay at 9:30 a.m. with last bike out at 11 a.m. There will be door prizes, 50/50 draw and special prizes for best poker hand and most pledges. Please help to make your community a safer place to live in. For more information, route map, registration/waiver and pledge form information please visit: www.khcs.ca

A great difference can be made in the emotional and physical wellbeing of children when they learn in a positive and stimulating environment. The Wilberforce Rockets Minor Hockey Association reaches out and touches the lives of many of our local youth through teaching hockey skills and good sportsmanship. In order to fund this great organization they sell the Community Spirit Calendar. The calendar is more than just a record of the days and months of the year but a piece of history as well. One can find a list of local family birth dates and anniversaries marked on each day of the month. Don't miss out on an opportunity to obtain one of these souvenir calendars and the opportunity to support our local minor hockey. Deadline for ordering calendars is mid-September. For

further information please call Cindy at 448-3624 or Carol at 448-1520.

Meet and socialize with your friends and neighbours over a mouth-watering meal. The Community Care Diners' Club continues to enjoy excellent luncheons at the Wilberforce Legion and at the Martinwood Resort. Next local Community Care Diners' Club meal is September 12 at the Martinwood Resort on Elephant Lake Road and on September 26th at the Wilberforce Legion. Please call Eileen Knox at 448-2596 to make a reservation.

If you have any item of interest to share and you wish to submit it for the next feature of the Harcourt and Community News, please e-mail vsmyth.rhapsody@hotmail.com or call 448-3640.

Upcoming events in Harcourt and local area:

September 3: Bingo is held every Wednesday evening starting at 7:30 p.m. Harcourt Community Centre. For more information call Debbie Shatraw at 448-3155.

September 4: Progressive Euchre is held every Thursday evening starting at 7:30 p.m. Harcourt Community Centre. Cost is only \$2. Come out for an evening of great fun playing euchre followed by a light social lunch. For more information call Mel or Valerie Smith at 448-3640.

September 12: Community Care Diners' Club - Martinwood Resort. For further information/reservation call Eileen Knox at 448 2596.

September 14: The Kawartha-Haliburton Crime Stoppers and the Kawartha Blue Knights-Ontario XV 2nd Annual Ride Against Crime Poker Run For more information, please visit: www.khcs.ca

September 14: Harcourt Community Centre Hall Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.

September 26: Community Care Diners' Club - Wilberforce Legion. For further information/reservation call Eileen Knox at 448-2596.

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Crewsons celebrate at Wigamog Inn

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Eleanor Cooper
754-2278

Twelve people celebrated a very happy occasion on August 23, 2008 at Wigamog Inn on Kashagawigamog Lake. Fred and Norma Crewson were celebrating their 60th anniversary with their daughter Diane and her husband Bruce and their son David and his wife Pam whose children also joined them: Matt, Jeff and Jamie with his wife Isabel and their children Morgan and Tesna. Our best wishes go to the Crewsons and congratulations from the community on the happy and momentous occasion.

A gathering at the centre on Sunday, August 24 gave Nicole (Cooper) Kezis many useful and beautiful baby gifts for the shower held there in her honour. Fun to see the little clothes, toys and blankets lovingly made or chosen for the coming event. We were treated to a delicious offering of goodies as we visited and admired the gifts. Nicole thanked the ladies present in a few gracious words at the close of the occasion.

Wayne Cooper has returned from a month's touring in Scotland where he visited highlands, islands, Burns's birthplace, Glencoe and many another point of interest including the Edinburgh Tattoo.

Karen (Mulholland) Nimigon asks that we take a minute to welcome to our shores and neighbourhood margo Ross-Beer and Don Beer who have recently purchased the Frankland property on Green Lake Road.

Euchre notes for August 25:

Ladies: high score Pearl Kernohan; low score Colleen Davison; most lone hands Barbara Brownsberger.

Men: high score Gerald Hadley; low score Jim O'Brien; most lone hands Leroy Mowat.

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Lots of fun at great race and treasure hunt

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Mel Smith
448-3640

The Great Race and Treasure Hunt was found to be a fun time event. The journey started in the Legion parking lot, with a puzzle that had to be solved in order to reveal the first clue. Each clue led you to another destination and another clue. You had to be on the ball to complete the journey. Many thanks to the organizers who set up the route and created the thought-provoking clues. Everyone is talking about the next treasure hunt.

Want to go to Rama for a fun outing? It's looking like a go. In just a few short days we had 16 names on the sign-up sheet out of the 30 we need to go to Rama. This bus trip is not exclusive to our branch; other interested community people or branches are welcome to put their names on the list too. This trip by bus will include a meal and entertainment. For more information call 448-2221.

Please note the Legion banquet room is available for rent to all members of the community for private events. Also, the Ladies Auxiliary do an excellent job catering. Following recent renovations, the Legion is very bright and fresh appearing making it an excellent place to hold

special occasion events. Should you want to test the ability of our L.A., then just attend one of our functions. They provide a good example of their culinary expertise.

You will have two opportunities this month. The breakfast on September 14 from 9 a.m. til 12 p.m., or the spaghetti dinner on the 19th from 5 p.m. til 7 p.m. Both cost only \$6 per adult. For more information regarding renting the banquet room and/or catering please call 448-2221.

September 1: Bid Euchre 7 p.m. (every Monday night). \$2 per person.

September 2: Executive meeting 7p.m.

September 3: Open Darts 7:30 p.m. (every Wednesday night). No admission charge

September 3: Open Euchre 1 pm. (every Thursday afternoon, except the first Thursday of the month, then it is on Wednesday). \$2 per person.

September 5: Pot luck dinner

September 6: Open meat draw, 2 p.m.

September 6: Karaoke night 9 p.m.

September 9: 7 p.m. General membership meeting

September 14: Breakfast 9:00 am - 12 noon, Adults \$6.00, Children \$3.00 and under 6yrs Free

September 14/28: Cribbage tournament \$5 per person, register 12:30, play at 1 p.m.

September 19: Spaghetti dinner 5 - 7 p.m. (third Friday of every month). \$6 per person. This is an all-you-can-eat dinner.

Have a safe and happy up coming week.

Motorcycles invade Wilberforce

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Hilda Clark
448-2018

This was a big weekend in Wilberforce for motorcycle enthusiasts. A huge influx of riders, their supporters and fans crowded the racing area for the Sunday, August 31 events. More on the action at this Canadian national championship next time.

St. Margaret's Church welcomed guest minister the Rev. Gary Davis on Sunday August 31. Father Davis as chaplain at Ross Memorial Hospital is part of the parish of St. Paul's Lindsay.

The Tuesday evening Story Time at the Wilberforce Library has been popular this summer. The last of this series will be on Tuesday, September 2.

Our local museum, the Red Cross Outpost Historic House has had some good events and many interested and interesting visitors this summer. Thanks to all who have helped out. Special thanks to students Carolyn Barnes and Dana Riel for their fine work guiding visitors and helping out with a variety of tasks while the museum was open daily during July and August. With advance notice and if volunteers are available visits can now be arranged by calling 448-2211 or 448-2018.

Belated condolences are extended to the family of El-

wood Townsend. Mr. Townsend died on August 16, 2008 at the age of 83. He was a lifelong resident of Harcourt.

Several from the Wilberforce area thoroughly enjoyed one of the Three Fantastic Nights of Opera at the Northern Lights Pavilion last week. The program featured participants of the 2008 Highlands Opera Studio which is a highly advanced opera training program for young professionals. This second annual Opera Studio which operated for three and a half weeks in August in the Highlands was founded by Valerie Kuinka and her husband, Canadian operatic tenor Richard Margison. They were the co-artistic directors of the public performances. The two one act comedies presented in English were La Cambiale di Matrimonio (The Marriage Contract) by Rossini, and Signor Deluso by Paseratieri. Among the many talented performers and rising stars was Adam Bishop who is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Churchill of Bancroft. An amazing evening of music! And congratulations to the Highlands Summer Festival people for expanding into the world of opera and bringing opera as another aspect of the arts and making it more accessible to people here.

The Haliburton Writers and Editors Network is sponsoring the third annual "Books Alive" on October 4, 2008 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the R.D. Lawrence place in Minden. Authors and their supporters are invited to be part of this festival of reading by bringing their books for display and sale. Call Kay at 286-6635 or kathleenmildard61@sympatico.ca for information or to book a space. No charge for HHWEN members; for non-members there is a \$10 charge to display books. All are welcome to meet mainly local authors and their books.

A federal election must surely be upon us if the almost weekly brochures which are appearing in our mailboxes are any indication. The incumbent certainly knows how to use the taxpayers' money for publicity before the call has actually been made. These brochures supposedly providing "helpful" information seem to be a thinly veiled opportunity to keep his name before the voters. Once the election is declared the costs will come from party coffers.



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NOTICE of SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Notice is hereby provided that a Special Council Meeting will be held on Friday, September 12th, 2008, starting at 3:00 p.m. to consider the Dysart Library Tenders. The meeting will be held in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Office.

Haliburton Legion turns 80 in style

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Carla Watson
457-2571

I would like to thank the many people who came out and helped us celebrate our 80th anniversary on Saturday, August 23. Thank you to the Maclay Experience for providing us with excellent entertainment. It was enjoyed by all. A very special thank you goes out to the vets who were there to enjoy the night right along with everyone else. Way to go guys.

The Maclay Experience is going to be the branch's New Year's Eve band so stay tuned for the details.

The Fletcher memorial dart tournament was also held that day. The team of Jack Briggs, Chris Briggs, Keith Smith and Bev White took first place while the team of Jack Greavette, Carla Watson, Gary Thorpe and John Briggs took second place.

Way to go. Thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary for having the beef on a bun. It was great.

Just a reminder that the Legion dart league starts up again on Tuesday, September 2. Anyone interested in playing this year, come on in.

Also a big thank you to everyone who came out all summer and supported the \$1,000 bingos. They were a success thanks to our volunteers and players.

On the lighter side, a funny thing happened the other day in regards to our dumpster. The public just does not seem to get that the dumpster is for the Legion and not for the public to use. I had to go and dump garbage on Sunday and when I got to the dumpster I found four big garbage bags in the dumpster that had a lot of beer cans in them. Seeing how a beer can is worth 10 cents I decided to see just how many there were. Lo and behold there were 158 cans in total. Next time could you please sort them if you must put them in there. Ha! Ha!

I hope everyone had a great summer, and we will see you soon.

NOTICE

(Applicant - MANTTARI)

IN THE MATTER OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST TO CLOSE, STOP-UP AND CONVEY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF AN ORIGINAL ALLOWANCE FOR ROAD ALONG THE SHORE OF KOSHLONG LAKE, MORE PARTICULARLY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the *Municipal Act*, S.O. 2001, and the *Municipal Procedures*, that the Township Council of The Corporation of The Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, WILBERFORCE, Ontario on **Tuesday, the 14th day of October, 2008**, at 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance lying in front of Lot 12, Concession 15, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 1 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by C. T. Strongman, O.L.S., completed April 26, 2005.

The Preliminary Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours (9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday) at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard in person. The person who wishes to address Council should contact the Township office for delegation time.

DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 2nd day of September, 2008.

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CURRENT EVENTS

- September 5: VON SMART (Group Exercise Program) REGISTRATION - Haliburton Echo Hills - 10:30 a.m. and Minden Hospital Auditorium - 1 p.m. For more information please contact Carol 286-2500 Ext 265. Brigitte (Community Care) 457-2941 or Melanie (VON) 800-743-6255 Ext 6451.
- September 7: S.E.A.L. Meeting. Bobcaygeon Service Centre - Meet us upstairs at 1:30 pm. Speakers on composting and Solar Hot Water. Come and learn. Sustainable ecological alternatives for living www.sealweb.org info call 705-887-4504.
- September 13: Miskwabi Area Cottagers Association - Annual Wine and Cheese for all adult members. We'll supply the goodies, you bring a chair and conversation. Location announced at AGM or by getting in touch with our directors.
- September 13: Ride for Dialysis 2008 (rain or shine) - All proceeds support Lions Camp Dorset, a dialysis resort for patients with kidney disease. Prizes, show n' shine, FREE camping. Registration 10 am to 12 noon (there is a registration fee). For further information or to get a pledge form please call Bev (905) 775-2768.
- September 13: Scott Woods and his Band present a Fiddle Variety Show entitled "Stay Tuned" at Fenelon Falls United Church - 123 Colborne St. Tickets are a nominal fee and can be purchased from Fenelon Falls United Church (705) 887-3040. Jack Stover (705) 447-2010 and Home Hardware, 140 Lindsay St., Fenelon Falls. Please get your tickets in advance so you won't be disappointed. The doors open at 6 p.m. And the show starts at 7 p.m.
- September 13: Osteoarthritis Information Class - Haliburton Highlands Health Services Physiotherapy department, along with The Arthritis Society, is offering a 2 hour educational session on Osteoarthritis concentrating on OA of the hip and knees. This session will provide you with information and answers to your questions about this condition as well as a home exercise program to improve strength and flexibility. Classes will be held 10 - 12 am in the Haliburton Physiotherapy Department. If you are interested in attending, please call Amanda at 457-1392 ext. 226 for more info and to register. Space is limited so please book early!
- September 17: Foot Clinic - Upstairs at the Dorset Recreation Centre - For more information or to book an appointment, please call Fran at (705) 635-1229.
- September 18: Strengthening Families Together - Do you have a friend or relative who is experiencing psychosis or a serious mental illness such as schizophrenia, bipolar, depression, ocd etc.? Would you like to learn more about her/his illness? Strengthening Families Together, a 10-session group for families, friends and caregivers, can help. Learn the facts about mental illness, new medications, and treatments, and discover how others cope and move toward recovery. The schizophrenia session starting September 18th, 2008 in Peterborough. Location to be announced. Call Hope at 705-749-1753 for more information or to register. There is no cost.
- September 20: "Making the Most of the Mess I'm In" Lakeside Baptist Church, Haliburton - 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Speaker is Joanne Goodwin and ballerina is Jordyn Archer. There is a cost and it includes continental breakfast and lunch. For further information call: Lyn Unsworth 457-3155 or Lakeside Baptist Church 457-2851.
- September 20: "Harvest Ham Supper" Lochlin United Church - Lochlin United Church is having a "Harvest Ham Supper", featuring Ham, Baked Beans, Scalloped Potatoes, Coleslaw and our famous Lochlin pies. 5, 6, and 7 p.m. seatings. For ticket reservations call Lois 286-1765. This is a fund raiser for the outreach work of our church.
- September 25: Memory Loss? Is it normal aging or is it Alzheimer's Disease? - Hyland Crest Auditorium, Minden - Join us at 7 p.m., Speaker is Dr. Ron Keren, Everyone is welcome, refreshments provided. To register call (705) 455-9220.
- September 25: 150th Bobcaygeon Fall Fair - Opens on Thursday at 7 p.m. with a demolition derby. The fair runs until Saturday, September 27th. For information call (705) 793-2466 or (705) 738-3445 or www.bobcaygeonfallfair.com.
- September 25: Understanding Alzheimer's Disease, Peterborough Public Library, 345 Aylmer St. North - From 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. These sessions are free! Light refreshments will be served! Please call Sarah at Alzheimer Society office to register and reserve a spot as seating is limited (705) 748-5131 or sarah@alzheimertbo.com
- September 26: Boat Cruise with The Community Care Trip Club - Community Care Trip Club is going on a Boat Cruise, leaving from Orillia... This 6 hour boat cruise will take you through Lake Couchiching, Lock 42, Severn River and Sparrow Lake. Trip includes 6 hour boat cruise, continental breakfast, hot buffet lunch, bottomless coffee or tea, and the cruise. The cost for this trip is \$105.00. If you would like more information about this exciting boat cruise call Roxanne at 457-2941.
- September 27: Wheelin' and Dealin' Stanhope Firefighters 3rd Annual ATV Poker Run - There are different trail rides available for all levels of skill. The day begins at 8 am with breakfast for registered riders at the Stanhope Fire Hall and the ride will begin at 10 am. Pre-registration is required, there is a nominal fee for this event. You can register online, www.stanhopefire.org and click on ATV rides. Call Keith for more information or to register at (705) 489-2711 or (705) 489-3548 (evenings)
- October 16: Alzheimer's Disease and Behavioural Change, Peterborough Public Library, 345 Aylmer St. North - From 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. These sessions are free! Light refreshments will be served! Please call Sarah at Alzheimer Society office to register and reserve a spot as seating is limited (705) 748-5131 or sarah@alzheimertbo.com
- October 22: Sound of the Music with The Community Care Trip Club - has chartered a bus going to The Sound of Music at the Princess of Wales Theatre in Toronto. This trip will include transportation by Highway Coach, theatre tickets and your dinner. Call 457-2941 for more details.
- November 13: Maintaining Brain Health and Wellness, Peterborough Public Library, 345 Aylmer St. North - From 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. These sessions are free! Light refreshments will be served! Please call Sarah at Alzheimer Society office to register and reserve a spot as seating is limited (705) 748-5131 or sarah@alzheimertbo.com

Events listings are provided FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@haliburtonecho.ca, or brought in to the office. Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date. NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.



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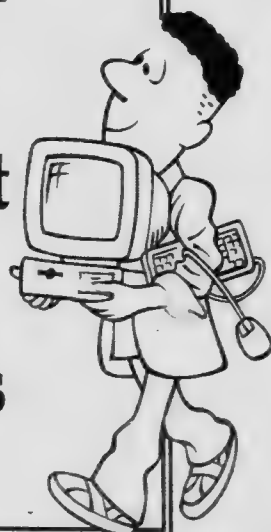
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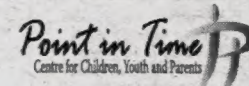
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Please forward resume by **September 8, 2008** to:

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The Choir, under the direction of Melissa
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Deaths

**MCPHADEN, Marjorie Jayne (Nee
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At the age of 101.

Beloved wife of the late Foster Irwin
and the late Malcolm McPhaden. Dear
mother of Dorothy (the late Arnold)
Minaker, Gwen (Bert) Main, Gloria
(deceased) (Sid) Bridges and step-
mother of Don McPhaden, Marie Cox,
and Doug McPhaden (deceased) and
their spouses. Loving Nanna to Wayne
(deceased), Karen, Nancy, Lyndell,
Steven, Judy, Helen, Bob, Tessa, Tim,
Roger and their spouses and families.

Friends are invited to visit the family at
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on Wednesday evening
from 5:00 until 8:00 pm.

Private Interment at the Evergreen
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gust 28, 2008. Then to the Kingdom
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and Wigamog Rd S.) Haliburton for the
Memorial Service on Thursday, August
28, 2008 at 2:00 pm.

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Are the hardest things to say,
My dearest one, I loved you,
In a very special way.
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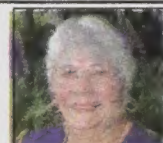
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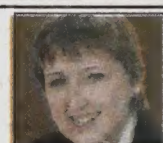
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